

Project Purpose

- •Mitigate Impacts of Railroad
 - •1996, BNSF Re-Opens Stampede Pass Line
 - •Heavy future train traffic expected that will cause long delays
- •Increase Capacity of M St to Meet Future Traffic Demand
- •Add pedestrian and bicycle facilities

Project Elements

M St – Underpass constructed below railroad tracks, widened to 2 northbound, 2 southbound, and center turn lane, bike lanes, sidewalks

Railroad bridge constructed across M St

4th St and 6th St – lowered to connect with M St

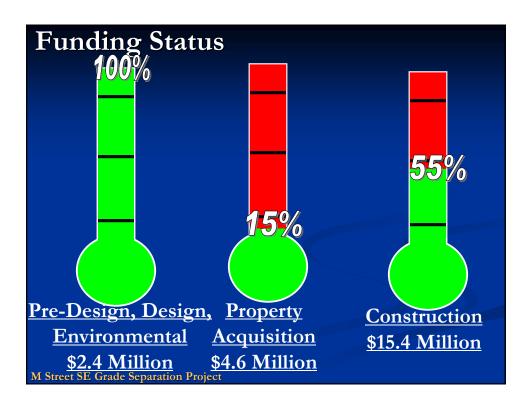
Connection to future Auburn-Black Diamond Bypass Road

City and Non-City Utility Relocations and Improvements

M Street SE Grade Separation Project



Pre-Design Design Environmental 2001 - 2002 2008 - 2010 Permitting 2008 - 2010 As funding is available... Property Acquisition Construction 12 to 24 months M Street SE Grade Separation Project



Property Acquisition

- •Standard Process see handout
- •Complete Property Purchase
 - Entire property is needed or impacts are such that the entire property must be acquired
 - 10± Properties
 - Relocation Assistance to be Provided
- •Partial Property Purchase
 - Roadway widening along frontage
 - 23± Properties
- •Temporary and Permanent Easements

Construction Stage Stage Stage Stage

Advance Utility Relocations

- •Intermittent Construction for 12 months
- •King County Sewer
- •City Storm Drain (L Street Alley)
- •Puget Sound Energy Gas (M Street)
- •Puget Sound Energy Power (M Street)

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Construction

Stage
1
Stage
2
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4

- •6 9 months of intermittent roadway closures and delays
- •Demolition, clearing and grading of storm pond and storm drain areas
- •Stormwater infrastructure construction
- •Rail work

Construction



Excavate roadway, construct railroad bridges and retaining walls

- •4th St/M St intersection closed for 3 months
- •M St closed from 4th to 6th for 9 to 12 months
- •Detour routes include F St, Auburn Way, and 4th St
- •Various local streets will be posted "Closed to Thru Traffic"

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Construction



- •Intermittent Delays and Closures for 3 months
- •Construct Curbs and Sidewalks
- •Install Landscaping and Visual Enhancements
- •Complete Modifications to 4th/M St Signal
- •Install Lighting and Illumination
- •Final Paving

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- Current project cost estimate is \$22.4 Million. Most funding is expected to be from State, Federal, and Private sources.
- •Start of property acquisition is dependent on funding availability.
- Start of construction is dependent on funding availability and property acquisition.
- Construction Duration = 18 to 24 months

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Questions, Suggestions, Comments

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